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Five Sayings of Jesus

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FIVE SAYINGS OF JESUS.

PRELUDE.

CHORUS.

*Let not him that seeketh cease from his search until he find.
And when he findeth, he shall wonder. Wondering, he shall
reach the Kingdom ; and in the Kingdom he shall have rest.*

TENOR SOLO.

O Jesu, Thou brightness of eternal glory,
Thou comfort of the pilgrim soul ;
With Thee is my tongue without voice,
And my very silence speaketh unto Thee.

How long doth my Lord delay to come ?
Let Him come unto me,
Let Him make me glad,
Let Him put forth His hand,
And deliver His servant from all anguish.

CHORUS.

*Whosoever doth not bear his cross and come after me,
cannot be my disciple.*

SOLO.

O Lord let that become possible by Thy grace
Which by nature seems impossible to me.
My frailty is in every way known unto Thee.
It will be needful for me to fight as long as I breathe.
Alas, what a life is this,
When one temptation goeth, another cometh ;
Yea, while the first conflict is yet lasting, others come.
How can it be called a life that begetteth so many deaths
and plagues ?
And yet it is the object of men's love.

CHORUS.

*If any man will come after me, let him disown himself and
take up his cross and follow me.*

SOLO.

Strengthen me with heavenly courage
Lest the miserable flesh prevail.

CHORUS.

He that shall endure to the end, the same shall be saved.

SOLO.

Thy life is our way,
And by the path of holy patience
We walk towards Thee, Who art our Crown.

CHORUS.

Abide in me and I in you.

SOLO.

Above all things, and in all things, O my soul,
Thou shalt rest in the Lord alway.

CHORUS.

Love one another even as I have loved you.

SOLO (WITH CHORUS).

Grant me to rest in Thee above all creatures,
Above all health and beauty,
Above all knowledge and subtilty,
Above all glory and honour,
Above all power and dignity,
Above all fame and praise,
Above all sweetness and comfort,
Above all hope and promise,
Above all gifts that Thou canst give unto us,
Above all mirth and joy that the mind of man
can receive and feel.
Finally, above all angels and archangels,
And above all the heavenly host,
Above all things visible and invisible :
That even as Thou lovest, O my God,
I too may love.

CHORUS.

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for Tenor Solo, Chorus and Orchestra.

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PRELUDE.

Andante tranquillo. (♩ = about 66)

PIANO. *ppp* *pp* *pp* *cresc.* *espr.* *dim.* *pp* *ppp rit.* *ppp tempo* *cresc.* *f* *ff* *dim.* *mf* *pp*

Strings. Clar. Str. (as an echo)

1 2 3 4

CHORUS.

pp Let not him that seek - eth cease from his search un - til he find.

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Viola

cresc. And when he find - eth he shall won - der. Won - der - ing

cresc. And when he find - eth he shall won - der. Won - der - ing

cresc. And when he find - eth he shall won - der. Won - der - ing

cresc. And when he find - eth he shall won - der. Won - der - ing

Cello

p he shall reach the King - dom and in the King - dom he shall have.

p he shall reach the King - dom and in the King - dom he shall have

p he shall reach the King - dom and in the King - dom he shall have

p he shall reach the King - dom and in the King - dom he shall have

pp

Five Sayings of Jesus.

5 TENOR SOLO.

mp O Je - - su, *mf* Thou bright ness of e -

rest.

rest.

rest.

rest.

5

p

- ter - nal glo - ry, Thou com - fort of the pil - grim soul; with

p

Thee is my tongue with-out voice, And my ve - ry si - lence speak - eth un - to

pp rit.

ppp

rit.

6

a tempo *mp* *cresc.*

Thee. How long doth my Lord de - lay to come? Let Him

a tempo *p*

come un - to me, Let Him make me glad. Let Him put forth His

crese. *espress.*

hand and de - li - ver His ser - vant from all an - guish.

poco stringendo *p* *rit.*

poco stringendo *p* *rit.*

7 Who - so - e - ver doth not bear his

pp Who - so - e - ver doth not

pp Who - so - e - ver doth not bear his

pp Who so e - - ver doth not

7 *espress.* *ppp* Cello Solo

cross and come af - ter me, can - not be my dis -

pp *p* *ten.* *crese.*

bear his cross and come af - ter me, can - not be my dis -

pp *p* *ten.* *crese.*

cross and come af - ter me, can - not be my dis -

pp *p* *ten.* *crese.*

bear his cross and come af - ter me, can - not be my dis -

[8] *poco stringendo*

f Lord, let that be-come pos-si-ble by Thy grace which by na-ture seems im-pos-si-ble un-to

mf - ci - ple, can - not be my dis - ci -

mf - ci - ple, can - not be my dis - ci -

mf - ci - ple, can - not be my dis - ci -

mf - ci - ple, can - not be my dis - ci -

[8] *poco stringendo (p)* *mf*

f **Più mosso.**

me. My frail-ty is in ev-'ry way known un-to Thee.

- ple.

- ple.

- ple.

- ple.

cresc. **Più mosso.** *mf*

f It will be need-ful to fight as long as I breathe. A-

Allegro agitato.

- er com - eth; Yea, while the first

con - flict is yet last - ing,

oth - ers come.

oth - ers come. _____

cresc.

How can it be called a life That be -

- get - teth so ma - ny, ma - ny deaths and

plagues? And yet, -

Tempo I. (Andante.)

yet,

it is the ob - ject of men's love.

CHORUS.

p If a - ny man will come af - ter me, *cresc.* let him dis - own him -

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p If a - ny man will come af - ter me, *cresc.* let him dis - own him -

p If a - ny man will come af - ter me, *cresc.* let him dis - own him -

mf Strength - en

- self and take up his cross and fol - low me.

- self and take up his cross and fol - low me.

- self and take up his cross and fol - low me.

- self and take up his cross and fol - low me.

Celli.

(p)

me with heav'n - ly *cresc.* cour - age, strength - en me, lest the

He that shall en - dure to the end,

mf

cresc. He that shall en - dure to the

mf He that shall en - dure to the end,

mf He that shall en - dure to the end,

mf He that shall en - dure to the

cresc.

*e molto espress.**allargando*

path of ho - ly - pa - tience we - walk toward Thee, who art our

12
dim e molto espress. *allargando*

Largo solenne.**Tempo perduto.**

crown.

pp A - bide in me and I in you. *a niente*

pp A - bide in me and I in you. *a niente*

pp A - bide in me and I in you. *a niente*

pp A - bide in me and I in you. *a niente*

pp A - bide in me and I in you.

Largo solenne. **Tempo perduto.**

ppp

a tempo

rest in the Lord al - way.

Love one an - oth - er e - ven as I have lo - ved you.

Love one an - oth - er e - ven as I have lo - ved you.

pp Love one an - oth - er.*pp* Love one an - oth - er.*a tempo*

TENOR SOLO.
ARIA. Allegro tranquillo.

mp e espress

Grant me to rest in Thee a - bove all crea - - tures

grant me to rest in Thee, A-bove

all health and beau - ty, a - bove all knowledge and sub - til - ty,

13

Grant me to rest in Thee a - bove all crea - - tures,
sempre teneramente
più p

grant me to rest, to rest in Thee, Above

cresc.

all glo-ry and hon - our, a - bove all power and dig - ni - ty, a -

cresc.

14

- bove all fame and all praise, *f* *mp e dolce* a - bove all sweet - ness

f dim. *p*

poco rit.

and all com - fort, a - bove all hope and prom - ise,

(p) *(pp)*

a tempo

Grant me to rest in Thee a - bove all crea - - tures

a tempo *(pp)*

15

grant me to rest in Thee. *mf* A - bove all gifts that Thou canst

cresc.

give un - to us, a - bove all — mirth and joy which the

mind of man can re - ceive and feel.

ff

Fi - - - - - nal - ly a - bove all

16

an - - gels and — arch - an - gels and a - bove all — the heav'n - ly

A - bove all

A - bove all

16

mf

host. *mf* 3 and arch - an - gels, and a - bove all the heav'n-ly
mf 3 and arch - an - gels, and a - bove all the heav'n-ly
 an - gels and arch - an - gels, and a - bove all the heav'n-ly
 an - gels and arch - an - gels, and all the heav'n-ly

ff A - bove all things

host. *ff*
 host. *ff*
 host. *ff*
 host. *ff*

17 vi - si - ble and in - vi - si - ble: That ev - en as
mf a - bove all, all, all, *ff* a - bove
mf a - bove all, all, all, *ff* a - bove
mf a - bove all, all, all, *ff* a - bove
mf a - bove all, all, all, *ff* a - bove

17

ff Thou lov - est, *dim.* O my God, I too may

f all, *p* O my God.

f all, *p* O my God.

f all, *p* O my God.

f all, *p* O my God.

f all, *p* O my God.

f *dim.*

love.

sempre dim. *pp*

Andante tranquillo (come primo.)

morendo *(pp)* *ppp*

CHORUS.

pp
Let not him that seek-eth cease from his search un-til he find. And when he

ppp
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pp
Let not him that seek-eth cease from his search un-til he find. And when he

pp
Let not him that seek-eth cease from his search un-til he find. And when he

(pp)

cresc.
find-eth he shall won-der. Won-der-ing he shall reach the King-dom

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cresc.
find-eth he shall won-der. Won-der-ing he shall reach the King-dom

cresc.
find-eth he shall won-der. Won-der-ing he shall reach the King-dom

p
and in the King-dom he shall find rest.

p
and in the King-dom he shall find rest.

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and in the King-dom he shall find rest.

pp